House Resolution No. 1270

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives always welcome the opportunity to acknowledge the season-culminating achievements of Show-Me State high school sports teams which have admirably demonstrated the value of sportsmanship, cooperation, and determination throughout the competitive season; and

Whereas, the Carthage R-IX School District high school Lady Tigers basketball team enjoyed a stellar year under the direction and leadership of coaches Bobby Waggoner and Gordon Godfrey; and

Whereas, during Missouri State High School Activities Association Class 4 sanctioned play known as the Show-Me Showdown, the Carthage Lady Tigers captured Fourth Place after winning against rival Bolivar with a 56-39 score in Quarterfinals action on March 8, 2003; and

Whereas, Carthage Lady Tigers players were thwarted in their efforts to capture the championship trophy by the Notre Dame team from Cape Girardeau in the Semifinals on March 14, and in their attempts to garner third place the following day by Benton High School in a double-overtime game; and

Whereas, on its way to rigorous state competition, the Carthage Lady Tigers team garnered considerable recognition as the undefeated Conference Champions and for taking First Place at Districts with a 62-42 win over McDonald County on March 1 at Webb City, Sectionals with a 57-45 victory over Branson on March 5 at Missouri Southern State College, and Regionals with a 56-39 besting of Bolivar on March 8 at Southwest Missouri State University; and

Whereas, the Carthage Lady Tigers completed the season with an impressive 27-4 overall winloss record and an 8-0 Conference record:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the rise of the Carthage Lady Tigers to state-level competition in the sport of basketball and to convey to the team's players, coaches, and parents this legislative body's heartiest congratulations upon attaining Fourth Place at the Show-Me Showdown and our best wishes for additional success for many years to come; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution in honor of the Carthage R-IX School District's high school girls basketball program.

I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, First Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 1270, adopted April 1, 2003.